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#### DR. JERALD TUNHEIM RETIRES FROM DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

• Mr. JOHNSON. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize and honor Dr. Jerald Tunheim on the occasion of his retirement as the president of Dakota State University in Madison, SD.

After receiving both his Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering Physics and Master of Science in Physics from South Dakota State University in Brookings, South Dakota, Dr. Tunheim briefly moved to Stillwater, OK, where he received his Ph.D. in Physics from Oklahoma State University. He began his South Dakota teaching career at his alma mater in 1968 as an assistant professor of physics before becoming professor and Head of the Physics Department in 1980.

Dr. Tunheim has earned the respect and admiration of all those who had the opportunity to work with him. His friendly demeanor and wealth of knowledge helped him develop close friendships with various colleagues and students while establishing the legacy of Dakota State University in South Dakota. Dr. Tunheim joined Dakota State University three years after the South Dakota legislature changed Dakota State University's mission to focus on computer and information systems technology as academic disciplines. In his term as President, there has been a 236 percent increase in enrollment and the number of computer majors has soared from 109 in 1985 to over 1,000 today.

In his Letter from the President, Dr. Tunheim is proud to announce that, "with a proud heritage as its foundation, Dakota State has evolved to meet the needs of today's students with its innovative approach to education and a faculty with diverse backgrounds and experiences. Dakota State offers its students the best opportunities to learn and grow to meet the demands of their future." Over the years, Dr. Tunheim has committed himself to helping Dakota State University students learn more about themselves and the world around them as he has worked hard to help students find the best in themselves. Thousands of students over the years have benefited from Dr. Tunheim's commitment to higher educational excellence.

On the occasion of his retirement, I congratulate Dr. Tunheim for his tireless dedication to Dakota State University and his commitment to quality education. Dr. Tunheim has been recognized many times over for his extraordinary career including being named Teacher of the Year twice while at South Dakota State University. He was also chosen as one of the "100 Influential South Dakotans for 1994" is listed in journals such as *American Men and Women of Science*, *Who's Who*

in America, *Who's Who in American Education*, and *Oxford Who's Who*. In addition to the hours he puts in as President of Dakota State University, Dr. Tunheim has spent his time on the Madison Area Chamber of Commerce Education Committee, Madison Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Council of Presidents and Superintendents of South Dakota System of Higher Education, Governor's Task Force on Vocational-Technical Education, and the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics Council of Presidents, among many others.

The lives of countless people have been enormously enhanced by Dr. Tunheim's talent and leadership as President at Dakota State University. The State of South Dakota is a better place because of his commitment to and passion for higher education excellence and his achievements should serve as a model for other talented educators throughout our state to emulate.

I wish Dr. Jerald Tunheim the very best on his retirement. •

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LUGAR, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment:

S. 1824. A bill to amend the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to reauthorize the Overseas Private Investment Corporation, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 108-194).

By Mr. LUGAR, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment:

S. 950. A bill to allow travel between the United States and Cuba.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 1845. A bill to amend title 37, United States Code, to provide financial assistance to State and local governments that continue to pay employees who serve on active duty in a reserve component of the uniformed services; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. 1846. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a presumption of service-connection for certain veterans with hepatitis C, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. CORZINE:

S. 1847. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a comprehensive program for testing and treatment of veterans for Hepatitis C virus; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. SMITH):

S. 1848. A bill to amend the Bend Pine Nursery Land Conveyance Act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to sell the, Bend Pine Nursery Administration Site in the State of Oregon; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 1849. A bill to amend section 203 of the National Housing Act to provide for 1 per-

cent downpayments for FHA mortgage loans for teachers and public safety officers to buy homes within the jurisdictions of their employing agencies; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. FRIST (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. GRAHAM of Florida, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Mr. DORGAN):

S. Res. 264. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate regarding Veterans Day 2003; considered and agreed to.

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. Res. 265. A resolution recognizing and honoring the firefighters and other public servants who responded to the devastating outbreak of wildfires in southern California in October 2003; considered and agreed to.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 59

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 59, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit former members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability rated as total to travel on military aircraft in the same manner and to the same extent as retired members of the Armed Forces are entitled to travel on such aircraft.

S. 198

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. LOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 198, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an income tax credit for the provision of homeownership and community development, and for other purposes.

S. 337

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 337, a bill to amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act and the Solid Waste Disposal Act to prohibit the use of arsenic-treated lumber as mulch, compost, or a soil amendment, and to prohibit the manufacture of arsenic-treated wood for use as playground equipment for children, fences, walkways, or decks or for other residential or occupational purposes, and for other purposes.

S. 448

At the request of Mr. DODD, the names of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU), the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) and the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE) were added as cosponsors of S. 448, a bill to leave no child behind.

S. 473

At the request of Mr. FEINGOLD, the name of the Senator from New Jersey